

# ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

For an ink jet recording apparatus that utilizes the STOP mode function of a CPU to reduce power consumption and a method for controlling the recording apparatus, many numbers of NMI interrupts occur due to chattering generated on switch when the trigger for the restoration from the STOP mode is effectuated by use of the power switch, and disable the normal ON/OFF process for the power supply. For example, therefore, an ink jet recording apparatus, which is provided with a CPU having plural modes including a mode to reduce the power consumption by suspending the clock signal as an operational mode, and receiving signal from power switching means as NMI interrupt signal for the execution of NMI interrupt process, is arranged to be provided with control means for prohibiting the NMI interrupt until operation is completed by means of the status of the recording apparatus with respect to the NMI interrupt process to be executed by the input of signal from power switching means.